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## WASHINGTON NOT EXCITED OVER REPORT

Arrival of Jap Warship and Arms Cargo in Mexico Mere Coincidence.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Intelligence officers of the war department are not excited after an investigation that the simultaneous arrival at Manzanillo, Mexico, of a steamer bearing arms and munitions from Japan and the Japanese cruiser Yakuma had no connection. These officers said today that the Yakuma was a trading ship and could not have protected the munitions ship, even had there been occasion for the effort.

Known of Arrival.  
San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 13.—Government reports that a recent shipment of arms and ammunition to Mexico was escorted by a Japanese cruiser have been sent here for the information of the senate committee investigating the Mexican situation.

That Mexico had received war supplies from Japan and that official and unofficial Mexico has lately been entertaining with a show of military enthusiasm officers and men from a Japanese warship was known, but until now agents who are gathering information to be studied by the committee had not heard of any direct connection between the two.

Arrived Dec. 21.  
The report which is known at army headquarters here and which has been forwarded to the war department, is that the ship bearing the arms and ammunition reached Manzanillo Dec. 24. The Yakuma, manned by 800 officers and men, anchored alongside. A part of the Yakuma's personnel were students from the Japanese military academy.

Troops Better Equipped.  
To what extent Japanese arms and ammunition have been entering Mexico is unknown. Recent reports from Mexico indicate improvement in the equipment of federal troops, the forces now in the state of Chihuahua being much better supplied with machine guns than for years. Units operating in the north are said to have more ammunition than heretofore, the clothing is better and a marked improvement in morale has been reported.

Say They Arrested Three.  
Mexico City, Monday, Jan. 12.—Three persons alleged to be the assassins of Earl Boles and F. J. Roy, American oil men killed near Port Lobos early this month, have been arrested according to a report received from Colonel Carlos A. Orozco, chief of operations in the Tampico district. Colonel Orozco declares that others implicated in the tragedy have been located and will be apprehended shortly.

## JEW, IN PITIABLE FLIGHT, FLEEING FROM BOLSHEVISTS

Paris, Monday, Jan. 12.—(French Wireless Service.)—Polish Russian Jews are fleeing at the approach of bolshevik bands between Kiev and Wolowicz, according to reports from Warsaw. At Zmerinka there are some 15,000 of these refugees who are in a pitiable condition. The same state of affairs exists at Ostrow, where the inhabitants and officers of the Polish army are assisting the sufferers.

## LAND PASSENGERS FROM LOST SHIP

Paris, Jan. 13.—The steamer Ceylan landed a number of passengers from the lost ship Afrique at La Pallice last night, according to advices to the Matin. Others were placed on shores at Port Rochefort.

Nantes, France, Jan. 13.—A life boat from the steamer Afrique, which went to the bottom yesterday morning in a heavy storm, has been washed ashore on the coast of the department of Vendee. The boat carried one officer, eight members of the crew and three children. The survivors were forced to jump into the sea to reach the boat.

## KOREANS SAID TO HAVE TAKEN TOWN

Honolulu, T. H., Jan. 3.—A Korean national army has crossed the Siberian frontier into Korea and captured En-Chin from the Japanese forces, according to a cablegram from Shanghai.

## YORK STATE ALSO UNABLE TO LIVE WITHIN REVENUE

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Governor Smith's budget message, transmitted to the legislature today, shows requests for appropriations considerably in excess of the revenue available. The message quoted figures compiled by State Comptroller Travis showing total estimated revenues for 1920-1921 as \$109,109,494, and total estimated resources of \$122,377,000.

## David Lawrence, Washington correspondent of The Argus, will cover presidential conventions of both big parties this summer. Argus readers will have the advantage of daily dispatches from him, in addition to the full news reports of the Associated Press.

Mr. Lawrence is one of the keenest observers and the most lucid and forceful writers in the Washington newspaper field and he is without political bias. His side-lights on the conventions will be of the highest value to all those who wish to know the true significance of the proceedings.

## PACT'S STATUS NOT PLEASING TO ANY CLASS

Washington Waking Up to International Pickle U. S. is Now In.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.

(Special to The Argus.)  
Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—It's an ill wind that blows no good—and surveying the situation created by the expressed difference of opinion between President Wilson and William Jennings Bryan on making the treaty a campaign issue, there is no doubt that the total effect has been to hasten rather than retard efforts toward a ratification of the pact.

Several things have combined to give a stimulus in Washington to the movement for ratification. One is the news from abroad telling of the exchange of ratifications between the allies and Germany and the establishment of the League of Nations. Far from being a document that can be revised and reframed to meet the wishes of American senators, it is now a choice between American participation or isolation and more than two-thirds of the senate favors joining the partnership that is to govern the peace of the world. The fact that the United States is outside for the time being while other nations are going ahead with the job of operating the peace treaty has brought a certain reaction. Nobody is wholly pleased with what has happened—not even the battalions of death, as the senators have been called who favor the absolute rejection of the league, can look with satisfaction on the uncertainty that has arisen abroad concerning the true intent of America in foreign policy.

Feel Bryan Was Right.  
The situation in the senate resolves itself into this: Democrats are even more active than before in trying to get a compromise. Many Republicans are working harmoniously with them to reach an agreement on the reservations. No new found reverence for the views of William Jennings Bryan is responsible for the attitude of the Democrats, but most of them feel he hit the nail on the head in his Jackson day speech and that he sized up public opinion accurately. As for the letter written by President Wilson, his friends still insist that it is not up to the president to take the initiative in the compromise process and that he would satisfy himself by the foreign governments if, after signing a contract with them, he openly receded from his position before the senate acted. They declare that whenever an American program of reservations is adopted, it will become the duty of the president to argue in favor of acceptance of those reservations and that he must clearly demonstrate to foreign governments that he kept his word.

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## BRING SLAYER OF MISSOURI EDITOR BACK FOR TRIAL

Gallatin, Mo., Jan. 13.—The preliminary trial of Hugh Y. Tarwater, city clerk of Gallatin, charged with killing Wesley L. Robertson, editor of the Gallatin Democrat, will be held here this afternoon. Tarwater was brought here last night from St. Joseph, where he had been confined since the shooting of the Gallatin editor Dec. 23, last.

## BRAZIL AT PEACE, PRESIDENT SAYS

Rio Janeiro, Jan. 13.—President Pessoa last night promulgated the treaty of Versailles, thus making effective that part of the treaty referring to Brazil. The president officially declared a state of peace with Germany.

## LIBERAL ELECTED HEAD OF ECUADOR

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Monday, Jan. 12.—Dr. Jose Luis Tamayo, former president of the senate and a candidate of the liberals, was elected president of the republic yesterday.

## STATE THAT RATIFIED CAN NOT BACK UP

Anti-Saloon League Head Quotes Precedent Applying to Dry Issue.

Washington, Jan. 13.—State legislators can not under the law repeal ratification of the constitutional prohibition amendment, Wayne B. Wheeler, counsel for the Anti-Saloon league declared today in a statement discussing recommendations for repeal made to the law makers of New York, by Governor Smith.

Precedent Cited.

Mr. Wheeler cited the attempt of New Jersey and Ohio to withdraw ratification of the 14th amendment. Congress refused to accept the repeal and both states were counted among those voting affirmatively. Without their ratification the amendment lacked sufficient votes to become operative.

Chief Justice Marshall was quoted by Mr. Wheeler as follows:

Cannot Recall Past.  
"The principle is asserted that one legislature is competent to repeal an act which a former legislature was competent to pass. The correctness of this principle, so far as respects general legislation, can never be controverted. But if an act be considered a law, a succeeding legislature can not undo it. The past can not be recalled by the most absolute power."

Question Up in Michigan.  
Lansing, Mich., Jan. 13.—Validity of the action of the Michigan legislature in ratifying the federal prohibition amendment without submitting the question to a referendum was argued in the state supreme court here today.

No Place But Home.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Persons having in storage warehouses, safe deposit vaults and other places legally acquired intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes must remove such liquors to their private dwellings on or before Jan. 17, 1920, under a ruling issued by the bureau of internal revenue. "Legally acquired liquor" is liquor bought prior to July 1, 1919. If liquors are found in storage warehouses or other places except private dwellings and government bonded warehouses after Feb. 1, 1920, and report of its possession has not been made to the bureau of internal revenue, such liquor will be subject to seizure. Proprietors of storage places where liquor is held subject to the orders of the owners are required to make report of such liquor on or before Jan. 27, 1920. Failure of the owner himself to report it, nevertheless, will subject his liquor to seizure. Hotels Cannot Hold It. Hotels holding liquor for service to their guests cannot possess such liquor on and after Jan. 17, 1920. If a person changes his dwelling, he may remove his liquor under special permit to his new residence, provided such transfer is not in conflict with state laws. Residents of apartment houses, hotels or boarding houses may keep legally acquired liquor either in their rooms or in lockers "over which they have complete and exclusive control." Such liquors may not be consumed, however, in the dining room or in any portion of the building except the rooms of the owner. No service can be given in clubs.

## REPORTS TO POPE ON TURK'S STATUS

Rome, Monday, Jan. 12.—Monseigneur Dolci, apostolic delegate to Constantinople, arrived in Rome today to report personally to Pope Benedict regarding the situation in Turkey and the people's attitude concerning plans suggested for the future of the Ottoman empire.

## GREY WILLING TO RETURN TO U. S.

Southampton, Jan. 13.—Viscount Grey of Fallodon, British ambassador to the United States, arrived here today on his return to the White Star liner Adriatic. He said he had no official statement to make, but was prepared to return to America in either an official or private capacity.

## DISMISS CLASSES AS TEACHERS QUIT

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Two grades in the Graeme Stewart public school were dismissed today when substitute teachers quit, declaring their pay was insufficient.

## The Weather

Fair and somewhat colder to night, with the lowest temperature about 15 degrees above zero. Increasing cloudiness Wednesday. Highest yesterday, 42; lowest last night, 23. Wind velocity, nine miles per hour. Precipitation, none. 12 11 7 p.m. 7 a.m. yesterday, yesterday, today. Dry bulb temp., 32 34 32 32 Wet bulb temp., 32 34 32 32 Relative humid., 77 75 76 74 River stage, 4.2, no change in the last 24 hours. J. M. SHERIER, Meteorologist.

## Democrats Select First Women to Plan Convention

Washington, Jan. 13.—Appointment of a committee of 17, including two women, to arrange for the Democratic national convention at San Francisco on June 25, was announced today by Chairman Cummings of the national committee. This will be the first time women have had a hand in the preliminary arrangements of a presidential nominating convention, Mr. Cummings said.

Cummings at Head.  
Chairman Cummings will head the committee and the members will be: Mrs. George Bass, Chicago; Miss May E. Foy, Los Angeles; J. Bruce Kremer, Montana; Wilbur W. Marsh, Iowa; Edward G. Hoffman, Indiana; Clark Howell, Georgia; Norman E. Mack, New York; Fred B. Lynch, Minnesota; Charles Boeschenstein, Illinois; E. H. Moore, Ohio; Arthur F. Mulloy, Nebraska; Dr. John W. Coughlin, Massachusetts; Isadore B. Dockweiler, California; John T. Barnett, Colorado; Patrick H. Quinn, Rhode Island; and Robert H. Elder, Idaho. Meet in 60 Days.

The first meeting of the arrangements committee will be held in San Francisco, probably within the next 60 days, Mr. Cummings said. The committee will be divided into seven sub-committees dealing with specific phases of the convention.

## FARMERS PLAN JOINT BUYING

Cooperative Marketing Also Topic for Consideration of Illinois Association.

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 13.—One thousand farmers are in Peoria today to attend a two-day convention of the Illinois Agricultural association. Cooperative buying and selling—especially the pooling of wool—will be the chief topics for discussion and action at the convention today.

J. R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau federation, will be the chief speaker at the sessions today. The resignation of Harvey J. Sconce, Vermillion county, president of the Illinois Agricultural association, was announced last night. He will take charge of the agricultural campaign for the presidential nomination of Governor Frank O. Lowden. In his resignation Mr. Sconce will point out that he decided to withdraw from official connection with the association in order that it might not be charged the Illinois Agricultural association exists for political purposes.

Bar All But Farmers.  
It is said that one of the most important matters to come before the convention this afternoon is a proposal to amend the constitution so that no one but a bona fide farmer can become a member of the association. Eugene Davenport, dean of the college of agriculture of the University of Illinois, will be the chief speaker tomorrow.

## FRENCH GIVE UP DREADNAUGHT FOR LIGHTER VESSELS

Paris, Jan. 13.—Steps were taken by the cabinet today to stop the construction of the five dreadnaughts of the Normandie class laid down just before the war, but never completed. Finance Minister Klotz was authorized to introduce a bill for this purpose. Other measures authorized will direct that the six scout cruisers provided by the law of 1912, as well as 12 scout destroyers, shall be laid down during 1920.

The plans for the Normandie class of dreadnaughts provided for vessels displacing 25,230 tons each, with main batteries of 12 13.4 inch guns and 24 5.5 inch guns.

## JUGO-SLAVS HALT ADRIATIC TERMS WITH OBJECTIONS

Rome, Monday, Jan. 12.—The Giornale d'Italia says that N. P. Pachitch and M. Trumbitch, representatives of Jugo-Slavia in Paris, insist on Jugo-Slav annexation of eastern Istria, Fiume, Dalmatia, the Dalmatian islands and northern Albania, opposing even the creation of an independent state of Fiume.

In view of this situation the newspaper suggests that a solution of the question be postponed.

## SULTAN WANTS TO HANG ONTO SMYRNA

Paris, Jan. 13.—Smyrna was declared "inseparable from the Turkish empire" in the sultan's speech from the throne delivered at the opening of the chamber of deputies on Monday, according to Constantinople dispatches. Smyrna now is in the Greek zone of occupation.

## RUN OF MEASLES CAUSES CONCERN

New York, Jan. 13.—An increase in the number of cases of measles here has caused Dr. Royal S. Copeland, health commissioner, to ask Dr. W. H. Park, director of the bureau of laboratories, to undertake a serious study of the disease at this time of the year as it usually reaches its maximum here in May. There have been 2,221 cases reported in the last 10 days.

## DEKAY GIRL WAS NOT MIXED UP IN ANY HEAVY ROLES

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Jeanne Anna de Kay was "just a plain little girl looking for work," said Miss Jane Adams of Hull house, as the search today for the missing heiress continued in Chicago, New York, Providence, R. I., and a number of other places.

## SUGAR'S COST TO WHOLESALE SET BELOW 15 CENTS

New York, Jan. 13.—A price of 14 1/2 cents a pound has been established for granulated sugar refined from the new crop for the whole sale and manufacturing trade by the American Sugar Refining company.

## COAL PRICE'S LIMIT FIXED IN LEVER ACT

Time Stipulation All Operators Ask and Way Is Open for Peace.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Mine operators in the central competitive field today told the commission made to settle the bituminous coal strike that they would accept with a single reservation any award the commission might make.

The operators said they would not be a party to the fixing of coal prices beyond the period of effectiveness of the Lever law, the wartime measure under which the government has controlled food and fuel prices.

Illegal Otherwise.

Ralph Crews, counsel for the central operators, explained that, without making this reservation, the operators could not legally join any price fixing agreement. He also said the operators would not make their acceptance of the commission's award contingent upon the preparation of answers to a series of questions which the operators yesterday asked the commission.

In accepting the commission's authorization, the operators, Mr. Crews said, understood that the commission's award should "of itself" constitute a final contract between the miners and operators for the period of time fixed by the commission.

Only Basis of Contrast.

President Robinson reminded him that President Wilson's letter creating the commission authorizing it "only to make an award which might be used as a basis for a wage contract."

He asked if the operators would not modify the language in their acceptance accordingly, and Mr. Crews finally agreed that the commission should determine that point.

"The mine workers understand that the award shall be a basis of a new wage agreement, and not of itself an agreement," said John L. Lewis, acting president of the Mine Workers. "I trust the record is not being made here which can be used subsequently as a basis for a refusal by the operators to write into a wage agreement the commission's award."

Clears Situation.

President Robinson said Mr. Crews' stipulation that the commission should have power to determine what the procedure should be had cleared up this point. Miners' representatives had before the commission their full demands as originally made and refused by the operators before the calling of the coal strike last November. Acting President Lewis recited demands for an increase of 60 per cent in wages, the 6-hour working day, and five-day week, for the abolition of double shifts and for the consideration by districts of internal differences, and defended each of them.

"The living conditions and the social condition of the miners' environment in which he has been compelled to rear his family, have been too low," he said.

## RAPS MEDALS FOR OFFICERS WHO DID NOT REACH FRONT

Washington, Jan. 13.—Urging congressional investigation of the award of army decorations for services during the war, Representative Gallivan, Democrat, Massachusetts, declared in the house today that more distinguished service medals should be awarded to army officers who never got nearer the front than Washington, than to those who saw service overseas.

Congress should investigate all awards of medals and crosses, Mr. Gallivan said, so as to determine why some recommendations were acted upon favorably and others disregarded.

## NORTHWESTERN U FACES A SERIOUS MONEY SHORTAGE

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Northwestern university faces the gravest financial crisis of its existence, according to a statement by William J. Farquharson, the university's director of finance. A deficit of \$172,000 must be met at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, and unless \$150,000 is raised by March 30, the university will forfeit its option to purchase a Chicago campus site, Mr. Farquharson said.

The deficit has been guaranteed, according to Mr. Farquharson, "by a benefactor, on the condition that the trustees adopt methods to place the institution on a sound financial footing."

## DISCUSSING WHY CLOTHING'S HIGH

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Conditions that influence clothing prices were discussed today by the National Retail Clothiers' association. Julius Morse, Boston, led the debate, which was preliminary to an address to be delivered tomorrow by Howard Figg, assistant attorney general.

## U. S. WAIVES CLAIMS UPON ENEMY SHIPS

Tonnage to Be Given Up All Goes to Allies on Agreed Basis.

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Make Ambassadors' Committee.

Serious consideration was given by the supreme council this morning to a plan for the appointment of a committee of ambassadors to complete the details for the presentation and signing of the Hungarian peace treaty and to carry through the other unfinished business of the peace conference. The decision, however, was left to the heads of the governments of the principal powers.

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Turkey Gets German Goods.

The subject of the demand by Turkey for a decision regarding the prohibition of business relations between her and the central powers was taken up, and it was decided that German goods might be sent to Turkey, but only through third parties.

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Must Fix Amount.

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Until the amount of reparation payments has been fixed, Germany will have to deposit 20,000,000,000 marks in gold or its equivalent in material, ships, securities and coal.

## THIRD ACCIDENT OF KIND KNOWN ON BURLINGTON ROAD

Burlington, Iowa, Jan. 13.—F. L. Silvers of Galesburg, engineer injured yesterday in the boiler explosion of his locomotive, wherein his fireman, Henry Engle, was killed, died last night.

H. E. Totten, brakeman, is not expected to survive. Railroad men are at a loss to account for the blowing up of the boiler, said to be only the third accident of the kind in the history of the C. & Q.

## FULL PUBLICITY IN CASE OF NEW YORK SOCIALISTS

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Discussion of the procedure to be followed in the hearing on the eligibility of the five Socialist members who have been suspended from the assembly took up the greater part of the session in the lower house today. It was decided that the hearings would be public and stenographic copies of all testimony would be supplied to members.

Assemblyman Theodore Roosevelt, in his maiden speech, declared that the assembly had embarked upon a grave matter and he considered it the duty of every assemblyman to be informed absolutely on every detail of the hearing in order that a square deal be given to the suspended members. He then introduced a resolution that stenographic copies of the evidence be adopted.

## CLAIM 13 VILLA MEN BUMPED OFF

Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, Jan. 13.—Word reaching here this morning through military channels stated that 13 members of a roaming Villa band were executed by General Eduardo Gonzalez, south of Ures, on Sunday night.

The leader of the band, Juan Rodriguez, was an officer in the Villa army at the time Francisco Villa was commanding his army in an attack on this town in November, 1914. Since that time he has been operating with a small band in both this state and Chihuahua. Rodriguez was among those executed, and at one time held a commission in the Carranza army.

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## MAN WHO BROKE ARSON RING DIES

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Michael F. Sullivan, assistant state's attorney, and known as a leader in local politics, died last night at his home of kidney trouble. Sullivan handled the prosecution of the "Chicago arson trust," which resulted in breaking up a ring which it is alleged had swindled insurance companies out of several millions of dollars.

## BRING SOME MEN OUT OF SIBERIA WITHOUT DELAY

Washington, Jan. 13.—A portion of the American expeditionary forces in Siberia is to be withdrawn immediately, Secretary Baker announced today, adding that the withdrawal of the entire expedition was under consideration "in connection with the evacuation of the Czechs."

## FOCH TO OVERSEE TREATY EXECUTION

Paris, Jan. 13.—Marshal Foch is understood to have been agreed upon as the military director charged with the supervising execution of the peace treaty.

## REDS' FAMILIES MOSTLY BEYOND REACH OF WANT

New York, Jan. 13.—The department of justice has forwarded to Washington the names of 20 families of radicals sent to Ellis Island for deportation proceedings, who are in want because of the arrests of the family breadwinners. It was announced today. Out of 230 homes of reds investigated so far, no more than the 20 reported cases were found, it was said.